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PETITION TO WITHDRAW ABANDONMENT

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Sir:

Applicants hereby petition to withdraw the above-identified application from abandonment pursuant to the Notice of Abandonment dated November 5, 2003.

Applicants timely filed a Request for Continued Examination on June 24, 2003, together with a Petition for Extension of Time and a Request for Suspension of Action (copies enclosed) by

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facsimile. A copy of the Auto-Reply Facsimile Transmission is enclosed indicating receipt by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on June 24, 2003, and authorization of use of our Charge Deposit Account. Also enclosed is a copy of our facsimile transmission report.

Please contact the undersigned with any questions or other matters regarding this Petition or this application. Otherwise, please withdraw this application from abandonment.

Being hereby warned that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent resulting therefrom, I declare that I am authorized to execute this Petition on behalf of Applicants, that the facts set forth in this application are true, that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true, and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true.

Respectfully submitted,

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